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# PROCLAMATION

*For Apprehending five Persons declared Fugitives, by the Commission of Justiciary for the Highlands.*



**WILLIAM** by the Grace of God, King of *Great-Britain, France, and Ireland*, Defender of the Faith; To

Macers of Our

Privy Council, Messengers at Arms, Our Sheriffs in that part, Conjunctly and severally, specially Constitute, Greeting; Forasmuch, as it hath been signified to the Lords of Our Privy Council, by the Commissioners of Justiciary for the middle District of the *Highlands*, that *Duncan Stuart*, alias *Shankie*, *Patrick Mcilglass-Ferguson*, *John* late *Mcgregor* in *Rennoek*, *Duncan Roy*, *Mcilphatrick* late *Mcgregor* in *Pollockro*, and *John Mcclaran* Buy in *Torray*, are all Fugitives from the Law, and Intercommuned for Stouth-Rieff, and other Capital Crimes; and that therefore it is fit a Proclamation were Emitted for Apprehending the saids five Fugitives dead or alive, with a competent Reward to the Apprehender; Therefore We with Advice of the Lords of Our Privy Council, have thought fit to Authorize and Order; Likeas we hereby Order and Authorize, all Our Officers Civil or Military, and all others, to use all Diligence for Apprehending the foresaids five Persons alive if possible, or in case of Resistance dead or alive: and if alive, to bring and Secure their Persons in the first Prison, there to remain till they Underly the Law. And for the Encouragement of the said Apprehender, Apprehending any, or all the saids persons, We do further promise to the said Apprehender, the Reward of ten Pounds *Sterling* for each of the saids Persons that shall be Apprehended, as said is; and Requires the Commissioners of Our Thesaury to make due Payment of the same. And further, it is hereby Declared, that if any of the saids five Persons shall Apprehend, or bring in the other four, or any of them, he shall for so doing, be Indemnified for the said Crime, for which he is declared Fugitive, and likewise receive the said Reward promised to any of Our Leidges in manner foresaid. And lastly, We with Advice foresaid, do hereby fully Remit, Pardon, and Indemnifie any Person or Persons, who endeavouring to Apprehend the saids Fugitives, shall in case of their Resistance, Mutilat or Kill any of them, or of their Assistants, assisting them by Force; of the said Mutilation and Slaughter, to all Intents and Purposes, as Ample as if they had a Remission Exped under Our Great Seal for the same. *Our Will is herefore*, and We Charge you strictly, and Command, that in continent thir Our Letters seen, ye pass to the Mercat Cross of *Edinburgh*, and remanent Mercat-Crosses of the haill Head-Burghs and Stewartries of this Our Kingdom, and there in Our Name and Authority, by open Proclamation make publick Intimation hereof. And Ordains these Presents to be Printed

*Given under Our Signet at Edinburgh, the third day of August, and of Our Reign the Ninth year, 1697.*

*Per Album Dominorum Secreti Concilii.*

*GILB. ELIOT Cls. Sti. Concilii.*

## GOD Save the King.

*Edinburgh*, Printed by the Heirs and Successors of *Andrew Anderson*, Printer to the Kings most Excellent Majesty, *Anno Dom. 1697.*

